

Midd-West School Board

Meeting date: **Tuesday, April 10, 2012** **Started: 7:45 pm** **Ended: 8:54 PM**

Location: Midd-West High School-Cafeteria

Purpose/Notes: Executive session was held at 7:15 to discuss contracts.

Chaired by: Mrs. Nancy O. Kroh

Minutes rec. by: Mrs. Nicole A. Stauffer

Attendance:

Present: Mr. Victor L. Abate, Mrs. Nancy O. Kroh, Ms. Lynn Y. Naugle, Mr. Corey L. Smith, Mrs. Daphne D. Snook, Mr. Ronald E. Wilson

Regrets:

Absent: Mr. Ronald L. Hoffman, Atty. Orris C. Knepp, III., Mr. Shawn A. Sassaman

Late:

Guests:

Mrs. Terry D. Arbogast (absent), Mr. M. Richard Aucker (absent), Mr. James H. Aurand (present), Mr. Mark G. Bickhart (absent), Mr. David Bittner (absent), Mr. James C. Edmiston (present), Mr. Kyle Elbin (absent), Dr. David R. Fassett (present), Mrs. Allyson Folk (absent), Mr. David P. Harrison (present), Ms. Cynthia L. Hutchinson (present), Mrs. Dana J. Kemberling (present), Mr. Bryan Kresley (present), Mrs. Tracey Mitchell (present), Mrs. Ann M. Murray (absent), Ms. Tricia Pursell (present), Mrs. Donna M. Samuelson (present), Mrs. Bree A. Solomon (present), Mrs. Nicole A. Stauffer (present), Mr. Gary L. Thomas (present), Mr. Todd R. VanKirk (present)

Meeting Documents:

(no documents)

Meeting Minutes:

A. Opening Ceremonies

A.1. Call to Order

Mrs. Nancy O. Kroh

Status: Completed

A.2. Roll Call

Mrs. Nicole A. Stauffer

Status: Completed

A.3. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Wesley L. Knapp

Dr. Knapp announced that IMC, Inc., was onsite to discuss some punch list items. The District is entering litigation concerning held money for unfinished work.

There will be a town-hall type meeting at Bucknell University for the public and Administrators to meet with legislators regarding the reduced funding for education.

The Middleburg Elementary School project is somewhat behind schedule.

Dr. Knapp has directed Mrs. Solomon to reduce the athletic budget. He also told the Board that there would be a meeting with East Juniata personnel regarding the future of the football co-op. This past year the cost was a different number than the prior year. East Juniata requested more money. There were no additional funds sent to East Juniata.

Dr. Knapp told the board that the property was currently be used for trails for the cross country team and some environmental work, but to do anything further with athletic or physical education space the Board would have to reconsider the land survey.

Dr. Knapp asked Mrs. Snook to begin working on a policy regarding the use of School Property for third-party advertising.

Status: Completed

A.4. Curriculum, Instruction & Technology

Mrs. Daphne D. Snook

Mrs. Snook reported on the status of the Keystones to Opportunity grant, elementary school news items, and the May 12, 2012 Recognition Banquet (Save-the-Date Postcards were distributed.). She also provided a summary of the 2011 Professional Development Plan and the 2011 Academic Standards and Assessment Mid-Point Review highlighting goals of both plans and the focus around improving student achievement and making AYP in both reading and mathematics (Strategic planning goals were distributed.).

Status: Completed

A.4.a. Art Program/Artist in Residency - Midd-West High School

Mrs. Tracey Mitchell

Mrs. Mitchell thanked the Board for the opportunity to offer the Artist in Residency program that was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. Two-thirds of the cost of the program was free. Students fundraised for the remaining one third of the cost of the program. The artist helped the students create a glass mosaic. They were extremely happy and impressed with the process. Tracey shared several student's comments on the process and the Art program in general. The students learned how to work as a team.

Mrs. Mitchell spoke on the importance of Art across the district at all levels.

Report:

Status: Completed

A.4.b. Computer Fair - CSIU

Mr. Bryan Kresley

Mr. Kresley provided information on the Regional Competition that was held at the CSIU. His computer club began work on the project a few months ago. Mr. Kresley thanked the Board for the opportunity to go to the competition and for allowing students Devaughn Jones and Dakota Kelley to share their work with them.

Report:

Status: Completed

A.5. Business & Fiscal

Ms. Lynn Y. Naugle

Report:

Ms. Naugle reported on the process of choosing a Student Information System. The current system the Midd-West School District uses is outdated and will be discontinued in the very near future. The system that is on the agenda for tonight's meeting was presented to various groups of users and all of them thought it was a good improvement over what we currently have.

Ms. Naugle asked Mr. Flaherty to explain the Bond selling process. Mr. Flaherty explained the process and entertained questions.

Status: Completed

A.6. Maintenance & Facilities

Punch list items are being completed at Midd-West High School. There will be a report regarding the gym floor in the coming weeks.

Status: Completed

A.6.a. Perry-West Perry Sewer System

Mr. Thomas reported that he met with Mr. Dan Paige and Mr. Dennis Swartzlander regarding the septic problems at PWP. They determined that the property is not suitable for a sand mound or regular septic system. Currently there is surface water pooling on the playground and other areas accessible to the staff and students. For the problem to be resolved it may require a small stream infrared treatment plant with waste water dumping into a small stream. The closest small stream is on the other side of Route

35. Since the school produces more than 2000 gallon per day, it would also require Nitrogen and Phosphorus removal since the water dumps into the Chesapeake Bay. Mr. Thomas reported that he will report back with preliminary figures on the cost of this system. Currently the tanks are being pumped weekly, but it would have to be fixed over the summer.

Status: Completed

B. Action Items

B.1. Consent Agenda

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-01

Moved by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Seconded by: Mr. James H. Aurand

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

B.1.a. Approval of Minutes

Approval is requested of the minutes from the March 26, 2012, regular meeting of the Midd-West School District Board of Directors.

Status: Completed

B.1.b. Bus Driver

Approval is requested of the following bus driver:

Lois P. Gelnett, Narehood Transportation

Status: Completed

B.2. Business & Fiscal

Status: Completed

B.2.a. Software Upgrade - Student Information System

Approval is requested of the Software License Lease Agreement between K12 Systems, Inc., Two Windsor Plaza, 7540 Windsor Drive, Allentown, PA 18195 and the Midd-West School District, effective April 10, 2012, for the purpose of upgrading the student information system software. {This will enable the MWSD to combine three existing software programs with over 10 individual modules and yearly licensing fees into one comprehensive program.}

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-02

Moved by: Mr. Corey L. Smith

Seconded by: Mr. Ronald E. Wilson

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Documents:

- Midd-West SD K12 Systems Sapphire ASP Contract 2012 r1.pdf
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B.2.b. General Obligation Bond Refunding

To adopt the Resolution as presented by bond counsel authorizing the refunding of the School District's 2008 General Obligation Bonds with a new series of General Obligation Bonds, conditioned on achieving a minimum net present value savings of \$550,000.00, which will be confirmed by the Administration. (A copy of the Resolution is included in the agenda packet.)

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-03

Moved by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Seconded by: Mrs. Dana J. Kemberling

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Report:

Documents:

- Midd-West Resolution Refunding.pdf

B.2.c. General Obligation Bonds - Middleburg Elementary School

To adopt the Resolution as presented by bond counsel authorizing a new series of General Obligation Bonds to finance improvements to the Middleburg Elementary School and other capital projects with final interest rates and terms to be confirmed by the Administration. (A copy of the Resolution is included in the agenda packet.)

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-04

Moved by: Mr. James H. Aurand

Seconded by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Report:

Documents:

- Midd-West Resolution Capital Projects.pdf

B.2.d. Change Order PC 162 - Midd-West High School

Approval is requested of the Change Order PC 162 - in the amount of \$44,105.00 for Howard Organization, inc., to install a retaining wall at the Northeast Entrance to the high school as detailed in sketches SA-173, SA-174, SA-175, SS-88R and SS-89R. {The retaining wall is needed due to the steep grade between the building, the sidewalk and to provide adequate coverage of the building foundation in this area.}

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-05

Moved by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Seconded by: Mr. Corey L. Smith

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Report:

Documents:

- PC 162 - Retaining Wall @ Northeast Entrance..pdf

B.2.e. Third Party Advertising on Midd-West School District Property

Approval is requested for the Senior Class Grad Night Parent Group to place a sign advertising for the Papa John's fundraising event on the North lawn of the Midd-West High School property along route 522 on Fridays and Saturdays through the month of May 2012. {These signs would be removed during the school week. All proceeds raised from this fundraiser will go to the Post Grad Night Celebration to be held on June 8th, 2012 at the MACC in Beaver Springs.}

Yes: None

No: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-06

Moved by: Mrs. Dana J. Kemberling

Seconded by: Mr. Ronald E. Wilson

Status: Defeated

Vote: 0-6-0-3

Report:

B.3. Policy and Programs

Report:

Status: Completed

B.3.a. Academic Standards and Assessment Midpoint Review

Approval is requested to accept the Academic Standards and Assessment Midpoint Review as submitted.

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-07

Moved by: Mr. James H. Aurand

Seconded by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Documents:

- AcademicStandardsAndAssessmentMidpointReview.pdf

B.3.b. Professional Education Report

Approval is requested to accept the Professional Education Report as submitted.

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-08

Moved by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Seconded by: Mr. Corey L. Smith

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Documents:

- ProfessionalEducation.pdf

B.4. Personnel Report**Personnel Report****EMPLOYMENT – CERTIFICATED**

Approval is requested to employ the following individual:

Extended-rate Substitute – Brandon D. Folk – Social Studies Teacher – Midd-West High School – Effective: February 28, 2012, and continuing through June 7, 2012, or the last day of the 2011-2012 school year – Salary: \$90.00 per day for the first thirty (30) consecutive days and \$212.02 per day for the remainder of the assignment. {Replacement/Hutchinson}

ADDITION TO SUBSTITUTE LIST - CERTIFICATED

Approval is requested of the following individual as a certificated substitute at a rate of \$80.00 per day for the 2011-2012 school year:

Kristina M. Smith - Art

APPOINTMENTS - EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Approval is requested to reappoint the following individuals for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Jason A. Gemberling, Track and Field Coach – Head, MWHS - \$2,857.00
- Stanley L. Share, Assistant Track and Field Coach - MWHS - \$2,301.00

Approval is requested to reappoint the following individuals for the 2012-2013 school year:

- Lisa M. Wagner, Junior High Girls Basketball Coach - WSMS - \$1,862.00
- Clinton K. Swartz, Wrestling Coach – Head - MWHS - \$3,724.00
- Brent W. Bobb, Boys Basketball Coach – Head - MWHS - \$3,426.00
- David A. Fadale, Girls Basketball Coach – Head - MWHS - \$3,724.00
- Roger W. Folk, Bowling Coach - MWHS - \$2,794.00

EXTRA-CURRICULAR – VOLUNTEER

Approval is requested to approve the following individual as a volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year:

Ryan T. Pheasant - Volunteer Baseball Coach - West Snyder Middle School

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

Approval is recommended of the following summer employment positions at a rate of \$7.25 per hour:

- Two (2) Summer Maintenance Assistants for the period of June 11, 2012, through August 10, 2012
- Six (6) Summer Custodial Assistants for the period of June 11, 2012, through August 10, 2012
- Two (2) Summer Technology Assistants for the period of June 11, 2012, through August 17, 2012

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Approval is requested of the following medical leaves of absence:

- Midd-West High School – Effective: February 28, 2012, through approximately June 7, 2012
- Middleburg Elementary School – Effective: April 4, 2012, through April 8, 2012

RETIREMENT

Terry R. Colyer - Full-time Night-shift Custodian - June 7, 2012, West Snyder Middle School

Resolution #: 041012-09

Moved by: Mr. Victor L. Abate

Seconded by: Mr. James H. Aurand

Status: Carried

Vote: 6-0-0-3

Report:

Documents:

- BACKGROUND INFORMATION - 4-10-2012.pdf

C. Other Items

No Other Items

D. Closing Ceremonies

D.1. Public Comment

Mrs. Nancy O. Kroh

Comment from the public is limited to three (3) minutes per person, and at the discretion of the Board President.

Status: Completed

D.2. Reports

Status: Completed

D.2.a. PSBA Liaison

Mr. James H. Aurand

Mr. Aurand reminded the other Board members about the legislative meeting at Bucknell University.

Report:**Status:** Completed

D.3. Adjournment

Mrs. Nicole A. Stauffer

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:54 pm.

Yes: Abate, Aurand, Kemberling, Kroh, Smith and Wilson

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Aucker, Hoffman and Sassaman

Resolution #: 041012-10**Moved by:** Mr. Ronald E. Wilson**Seconded by:** Mr. Corey L. Smith**Status:** Carried**Vote:** 6-0-0-3

Recording Secretary:

Chairperson:

Date:
